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Microsoft is an adjudicated monopolist; it has demonstrated its utter insensitivity to that fact; and it continues to use whatever economic leverage it has as if it were a garage-housed start up company. These guys simply don't get it and, regardless of their intentions, they cannot be allowed, for another decade, to throw Microsoft's weight around the economy without seriously negative consequences for innovation, if not for software pricing.

Your settlement can't get to the heart of the problem. The heart of the problem is the Gates mentality, which can only be addressed through some kind of an epiphany or through divestiture; and the court took the latter off the table. But you could, at least, insist on behavioral restrictions and disclosure requirements that dampen and/or publicize Microsoft's bullying of other market participants. I don't think you've done that.

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